

Event Name: BFHD COVID-19

Report Period: 06/27/2020 – 6/30/2020	Mission #: 20-0265	Jurisdictions Impacted: Benton & Franklin Counties
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***This will be the only SitRep sent this week due to the 4th of July Holiday being observed on Friday July 3rd- BFHD and Emergency Management Staff will also be observing the holiday on July 3rd**

General Situation/Overview:

On January 21, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Washington State Department of Health announced the first case of 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the United States and in Washington State. As of 3/19/2020 a 24, 48, 72-hour planning projection of the response is being done daily.

Benton and Franklin County At-A-Glance

Total Case Count Updated: 12:20 pm 06/30/2020	Benton	Franklin
Confirmed*	1719	1613
Deaths**	76	25

Confirmed:** positive test result. *Deaths:** BFHD defined a COVID-19 death as someone who died with COVID-19 as their primary cause of death, meaning they died because of COVID-19. DOH includes people who tested positive for COVID-19 and died, but may not have died of COVID-19. That's why the dashboard may show a higher number of deaths than we previously reported. DOH is currently updating their definition, and in the coming days, the total number of deaths reported on the dashboard may decrease

City Case Count table will be updated every Tuesday 06/30/2020 12:20pm	# of Cases
Pasco	1443
Eltopia	20
Mesa	19
Connell	122
Kahlotus	<10
Kennewick	1037
Richland	320
West Richland	78
Benton City	46
Prosser	192
Plymouth	<10
Patterson	<10

Current Hospital Status Updated: 12:20 pm 06/26/2020 M-F		COVID Like Illness = CLI	
	# Hospitalized Patients	# COVID-19 Confirmed & CLI	% COVID-19 Confirmed & CLI
Current hospitalized patients	319	69	21.6%

OPERATIONS SECTION:

OUTBREAK MITIGATION: Identify the COVID-19 spread, including clusters; track any lab confirmed cases and determine potential exposures. Identify the spread of COVID-19 in long-term care and community living facilities and provide infection control guidance and resources to those facilities. Input data from Epi into existing systems; WDRS and Redcap surveys.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently there are 14 confirmed active outbreaks – these outbreaks meet the definition of an outbreak and have had active cases within the last 28 days. Additionally, there are 7 Long Term Care facilities that have active outbreaks. The outbreak at the Union Gospel Mission is on-going but testing of all staff and residents has not occurred.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Epidemiology outreach team conducted a site visit at Douglas Fruits (this was missed in last Friday's sitrep)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School superintendent call canceled due to holiday. WIAA – Athletic guidance release and is being reviewed.
<u>EPIDEMIOLOGY AND CARE COORDINATION:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mask survey to continue. The baseline mask survey showed an initial 53% compliance rate however the survey was conducted prior to the Governors masking directive. Masking survey efforts will continue on a weekly basis in an effort to gage the community's adherence to the mask directive- MASK ON TO MOVE ON! The press release for the baseline mask survey can be found at this link on the BFHD website https://www.bfhd.wa.gov/cms/one.aspx?portalId=10766056&pageId=15074293
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Testing continues Coyote Ridge Correctional Center (CRCC) serial testing will occur to continue to monitor staff for infection to prevent further spread in the facility.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benton County is averaging 17.2% positivity rate and Franklin County is averaging a 31% positivity rate.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A heat map showing COVID numbers in relation geographic areas has been posted to the BFHD website https://www.bfhd.wa.gov/programs_services/investigations_outbreaks/covid-19/benton-franklin_case_count - the <u>heat map of cases</u> is a tab on the case count table
<u>COMMUNITY TESTING:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NATIONAL GUARD TEST SITE WILL BE CLOSED ON JULY 3rd (Friday) and JULY 4th (Saturday) in observance of Independence Day. Testing will continue next week on Tuesday July 7th. The National Guard and BFHD continues testing at both the Toyota Center in Kennewick (back side accessed from Grandridge Blvd) and the HAPO Center (TRAC). For an appointment, register by calling: 2-1-1, and they will give you a registration number and appointment time. To date (not including today's totals) , the National Guard has tested 857 at the Toyota Center and 817 at the HAPO for a total of 1674 tests. These drive thru testing sites are available to all residents and do not require a physician's order to receive a test. Both sites will operate Tuesday – Saturday 0800-1300 for an undetermined amount of time.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A texting system has been set up for notifying people of their negative test results received from the National Guard test sites. This will help to take a heavy burden from BFHD staff who previously were having to call all people to report their negative test result.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The approximately positivity rate from the National Guard Testing sites is 11% - PLEASE NOTE that if a person has previously tested positive "re-tests" through the National Guard site and is still positive they are NOT counted as a new case – this does NOT add to our case count.
<u>TRAINING AND VOLUNTEERS</u> Develop and administer volunteer training and coordination to supplement current staff as needed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interested in volunteering at BFHD go to: waserv.org
<u>COMMUNITY RELATIONS / PUBLIC INFORMATION:</u> Keep our community informed and educated; providing accurate information. Maintain our call center and website; providing updated information. Develop and maintain media products for the weekly press conference.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Cities and Counties sent a letter to Secretary of Health John Wiesman, titled "Benton Franklin Road to Recovery". The letter detailed the collaboration efforts that have been made in preparation to "re-open" our community and asked Secretary Wiseman to respond to the phase 2 application. City and County officials and BFHD staff are working with DOH on a path forward. A press conference has been scheduled for Wednesday July 1st at 1:00 to address this topic.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governor Jay Inslee is in the Tri-Cities (Tuesday June 30th) he met with public health officials and elected officials in the morning, conducted a press briefing at 11:45 where he stressed the importance of wearing a "face covering" and ended his visit meeting with Tri-city businesses and community leaders.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benton and Franklin Emergency Management Offices will be managing a community free mask distribution drive thru on Wednesday, July 1st from 10:00am – 7:00pm at 1011 E. Ainsworth St, in Pasco. This is part of the Federally

provided masks for lower income residents. Income verification or residency verification WILL NOT be checked. We are allowed to give 2 masks per person.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City and County officials will have a press conference on Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. to discuss the “Road to Recovery” plans for the Tri-City area.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link to the Washington State DOH Data Dashboard on the BFHD Website/Community Recovery page. https://www.bfhd.wa.gov/cms/One.aspx?portalId=10766056&pageId=16713009
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A list of COVID testing site by county/city has been added to the BFHD website - https://www.bfhd.wa.gov/cms/One.aspx?portalId=10766056&pageId=16774440
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Recovery Page is being adjusted daily to reflect the current case impacts.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BFHD updates Website Twitter and Facebook daily.

LOGISTICS:

<u>PPE RECEIVING/DISTRIBUTION:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To date 6,688 masks have been provided to farm workers and H2A farm housing.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shared Washington State PPE Conservation Strategies link
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PPE requests from Hospitals/EMS/Law Enforcement/Clinics/LTC/Dentists need to be sent to their respective Emergency Management no later than 10:00am every Friday or as circumstances dictate – a weekly request will be made to the state every Friday for delivery of supplies the following week. Benton – d.davis@bces.wa.gov Franklin – sdavis@co.franklin.wa.us

DAILY and FUTURE OPERATIONS:

<u>RECURRING ACTIVITIES:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily at 8:00am - Operational Briefing via ZOOM if you would like an invite for this Zoom meeting email Janae Parent at janaep@bfhd.wa.gov
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily at 8:30am - info coordination call with PIO and Info group
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M-W-F at 10:30am - Local Hospital/Clinic coordination call via ZOOM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination call with the WA State EOC Monday and Thursday 1-877-820-7831, password 782831# - State SitRep is not produced on the weekends it will be sent M-F only.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily at 4:00pm – Planning Meeting via ZOOM – if you would like an invite for this Zoom meeting email Janae Parent at janaep@bfhd.wa.gov
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M-F at 5:00 dissemination of BFHD Incident Action Plan released - on Friday the IAP will be a 3-day IAP encompassing the weekend plan (Sat, Sun, Mon).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesdays at 2:00pm - BFHD hosts local elected officials and decision-makers conference call
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday at 3:00pm - EMS/Fire/Public Health discussion meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday/Friday at 5:00pm - Unified Situational Report (SitRep) released
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesdays at 2:00 - SEOC Unified Command Ops to BFHD Command Ops meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday at 1:00pm - North Franklin County Community Leadership meeting – call in phone 1-509-545-3555 meeting number: 5847# access code: 3555#

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursdays at 11:00am - BFHD press conference covering the current situation/status and guest speakers will be included to discuss special topics, when appropriate.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursdays at 2:30pm - call with BFHD and LTC agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fridays at 2:00pm – Central and Eastern WA Counties meeting to discuss farmworkers and H2A Housing communities information/concerns/coordination
<u>FUTURE OPERATIONS:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue operation of National Guard Community based testing sites. Continue planning efforts towards phase 2 re-open of the Tri-Cities Plan for 4 BFHD leads to support off-site contact tracing center
<u>CURRENT RISKS:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of social distancing in community parks and recreation areas
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Citizens not complying with the mask directive. Mask on to Move on!!

WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION:

- Benton-Franklin Health District- All News: <https://www.bfhd.wa.gov>
- Washington State Department of Health: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus>
- Center for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- REDI Healthcare Coalition: <https://srhd.org/programs-and-services/hcc/eei->

DISTRIBUTED TO:

Local Health Jurisdiction: Management Team, EOC/ECC Staff, all BFHD Staff

Region 8: Local Emergency Response Coordinators, Emergency Management agencies, healthcare partners, Fire/EMS agencies

WA State: Regional Emergency Response Coordinators, DOH Duty Officer

Eastern WA: REDi Coalition Duty Officer

Cross Border: Oregon Regions 6 and 9 Liaisons